



## MINUTES

**CITY OF SCOTTSDALE POLICE LOCAL BOARD OF THE  
PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PSPRS)  
REGULAR MEETING  
11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 16, 2012  
Police and Fire Department Headquarters—Operations Room  
8401 E. Indian School Road  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85251**

**PRESENT:** Jeffrey Burg, Citizen Member  
James Butera, Elected Member  
Velicia McMillan Humes, Citizen Member/Merit Head  
Jeffrey Walther, Elected Member

**ABSENT:** Jack Cross, Chairman/Mayoral Designee

**STAFF:** Ken Nemec  
Chanda Washington

**OTHERS:** Hannah Auckland, Esq.  
Police Officer John Herrick

### **Call to order**

Board Member Burg called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m. He stated that the first order of business was the acknowledgement of Chairman Cross' excused absence.

Board Member Burg noted that the Board appointed him to act as Chairman Cross' alternate for today's meeting prior to the beginning of the meeting.

### **Roll call:**

A formal roll call confirmed the members present as stated above.

### **Possible Executive Session:**

Executive Session may occur at any time during this meeting.

**1. Review and approval of meeting minutes—July 19, 2012**

**BOARD MEMBER WALTHER MOVED TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE JULY 19, 2012 PSPRS POLICE LOCAL BOARD MEETING AS PRESENTED. BOARD MEMBER MCMILLAN HUMES SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRMAN CROSS WAS ABSENT.**

**2. Induction of new Scottsdale police officers into PSPRS**

Mr. Nemec reported that there were no new Scottsdale police officers to induct into the PSPRS at this time.

**3. Discussion and vote to change the effective date of Police Officer Joseph M. Geremia's Accidental Disability Retirement from May 1, 2011 to July 1, 2010**

Mr. Nemec reported that agenda items 3 and 4 are the result of staff and Public Safety going back to 2005 and reviewing approved retirement cases in order to locate retirements that had an effective date based on the first day of the month following the Board meeting rather than the first day of the month following termination of employment. They located one fire and two police retirement cases that need to have their effective dates changed to the first day of the month following the applicant's submission of their application and the date they terminated employment.

Board Member Burg noted that those individuals would each be receiving a catch up check as a result of this change.

Mr. Nemec explained that Public Safety requested that staff agendize a discussion and vote to change the effective dates of both of these police officers, rather than relying on the July 19, 2012 minutes.

Discussion ensued regarding the applicants not being notified of this change and forthcoming check until after the Board's vote on the matter.

**BOARD MEMBER WALTHER MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF POLICE OFFICER JOSEPH M. GEREMIA'S ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT FROM MAY 1, 2011 TO JULY 1, 2010. BOARD MEMBER MCMILLAN HUMES SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRMAN CROSS WAS ABSENT.**

**4. Discussion and vote to change the effective date of Police Officer Edward J. Haines' Ordinary Disability Retirement from December 16, 2011 to October 1, 2010**

**BOARD MEMBER MCMILLAN HUMES MOVED TO APPROVE CHANGING THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF POLICE OFFICER EDWARD J. HAINES' ORDINARY DISABILITY RETIREMENT FROM DECEMBER 16, 2011 TO OCTOBER 1, 2010. BOARD MEMBER WALTHER SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRMAN CROSS WAS ABSENT.**

**5. Discussion and vote on the DROP (Deferred Retirement Option Plan) termination and normal retirement application of Police Lieutenant Michael Stauffer**

Ms. Washington reported that Police Lieutenant Michael Stauffer entered the DROP with 20.115 years of service and would be retiring from the DROP on September 19, 2012 with approximately 21.115 years of service.

She stated that all of the applicant's paperwork was in order and the pension check associated with this retirement application was \$5,111.63.

**BOARD MEMBER WALTHER MOVED TO ACCEPT THE DROP TERMINATION REQUEST OF POLICE LIEUTENANT MICHAEL STAUFFER AND TO APPROVE HIS NORMAL RETIREMENT APPLICATION, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 19, 2012 SUBJECT TO FINAL PAYROLL CALCULATIONS AND QUALIFIED DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDERS. THE MONTHLY PENSION ASSOCIATED WITH THIS APPLICATION IS \$5,111.63 TO BEGIN ON OR ABOUT OCTOBER 30, 2012. BOARD MEMBER BUTERA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRMAN CROSS WAS ABSENT.**

**6. Discussion and vote on the accidental disability retirement application of Police Officer John Herrick**

Ms. Auckland pointed out that since Police Officer John Herrick had not signed the confidentiality agreement any discussion of his medical evidence must occur in executive session.

It was the consensus of the Board that it was unnecessary to discuss the Applicant's medical evidence in open session at this time.

Ms. Washington noted that the Applicant's July 2012 IME report and questionnaire filled out by the IME physician along with supporting correspondence are included in the Board's notebooks.

**BOARD MEMBER WALTHER MOVED TO APPROVE THE ACCIDENTAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT PENSION OF POLICE OFFICER JOHN HERRICK SINCE HE DOES MEET THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS, SUBJECT TO FINAL PAYROLL CALCULATIONS AND QUALIFIED DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDERS. BOARD MEMBER BUTERA SECONDED THE MOTION, WHICH CARRIED BY A VOTE OF FOUR (4) TO ZERO (0). CHAIRMAN CROSS WAS ABSENT.**

**7. Report to the Board on recently completed transfers of prior service credits, if any**

Ms. Washington reported that Peter Michael transferred .988 years of service from Arizona State Retirement System over to Public Safety in the amount of \$12,918.82. She stated that upon the completion of the transfer Mr. Michael had 2.305 years of service.

**8. Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items**

Board Member Burg confirmed that there were no Board suggestions for upcoming agenda items at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, being duly moved and seconded, the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

REVIEWED BY:

Ken Nemec  
PSPRS Police Local Board Secretary

Jack Cross  
PSPRS Chairman/Mayoral Designee